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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2003, Applicants answer as follows.

Remarks

Applicants hereby elect Group I (claims 1-8, 10 and 19) with traverse. It is respectfully submitted that it would not be an undue burden on the Examiner to search all of the claims of this application at once. The sequences involved in the present claims are each directed to the nucleotide or polypeptide sequence of the GPCR PFI-019. As such, all the pending claims are highly related, and it will be necessary for the Examiner to search for any mention in the literature of this gene, it's protein, or uses thereof, in order to properly search any of the pending claims. Since the same thorough search will be required for each individual claim, there is no undue burden to search all of the claims simultaneously.

Moreover, it is respectfully submitted that at least the claims of Groups I and II